

# NASIS 6.0 - Where Are We & What's Next?

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# Background

- NASIS originally released in 1994
- UNIX<sup>®</sup> based with INFORMIX<sup>®</sup> dbms
- Has had several updates
- Currently at version 5.4

# NASIS 6.0

- Converts current functionality of NASIS to Microsoft .NET® and SQL Server® platform
  - Current industry and agency standard
  - Will facilitate later integration of GIS

# Features

- New interface
- Similarities to other Microsoft® applications
  - Rearrange, hide/unhide, and resize columns
  - Sort on any column
  - Filter data
  - View all rows in any table

# Features

- Will be a client based application
  - SQL Server Express® on local computer
    - Connected via network to central server
  - Will download subset database to your computer
  - Uses replication processes to keep data in sync with central server
  - Conflict resolution
  - Can disconnect your computer from network to edit data

# Features

- Report, query and interp editors are different
  - Will work like SDM Report Manager
  - Interp editor will auto load sub-rules, evaluations and property scripts

# Features

- Existing reports, queries, rules, evaluations, and properties will be converted
  - Many reports and queries will need revision due to data model changes
  - Interps should mostly be OK

# Data Model Changes

- Revised Soil Survey Schedule schema
  - Includes Technical Soil Services
  - New Project data object
- Mapunit tables become separate data object – ownership by map unit



# Data Model Changes

- Subaqueous soil proposals
- Mica proposal
- More anthropogenic choices
- Gypsum choices
- Data certification proposal
- National mapunit symbol
- Several minor additions/changes

# Data Model Changes

- SSURGO changing edits will be made after 6.0 is released
  - These impact other applications such as SDM, WSS, Access template, and SDV rules.

# Pedon data import

- The process will change
  - In 6.0, the pedon.mdb file will be converted into SQL Server Express format on your local computer, then saved to NASIS

# Training

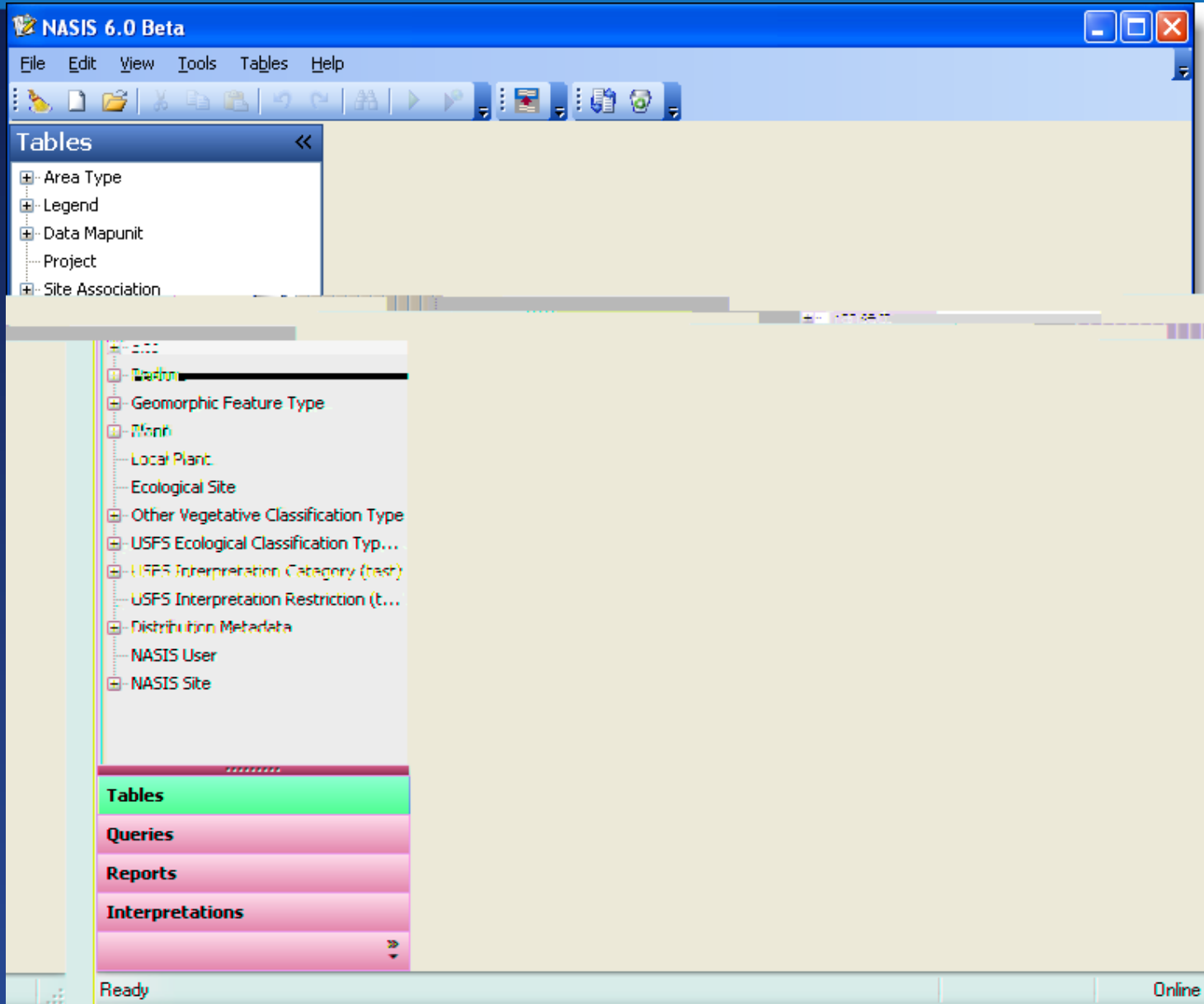
- Some training will be needed
  - New user interface and processes
  - Paul Finnell plans to update existing training modules
  - Plan to use Live Meeting or Net Meeting sessions as much as possible
  - Record sessions for later playback

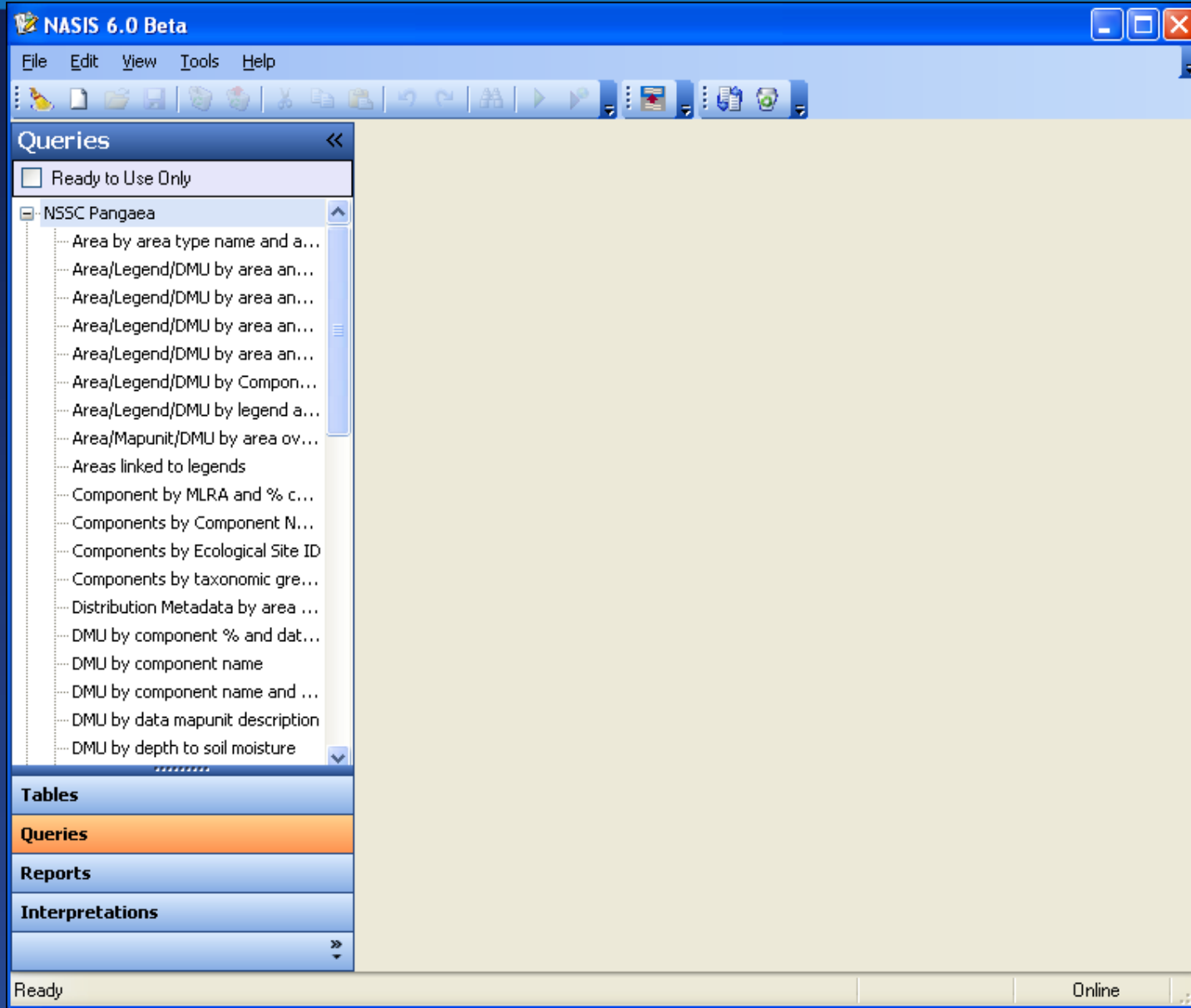
# Getting Ready

- SQL Server Express® will need to be loaded on all computers.
- Some data clean-up
  - Choice list implemented for meridians
  - Names listed in Legend Staff table to be converted to NASIS User names – need to match.
- Guidance will be distributed

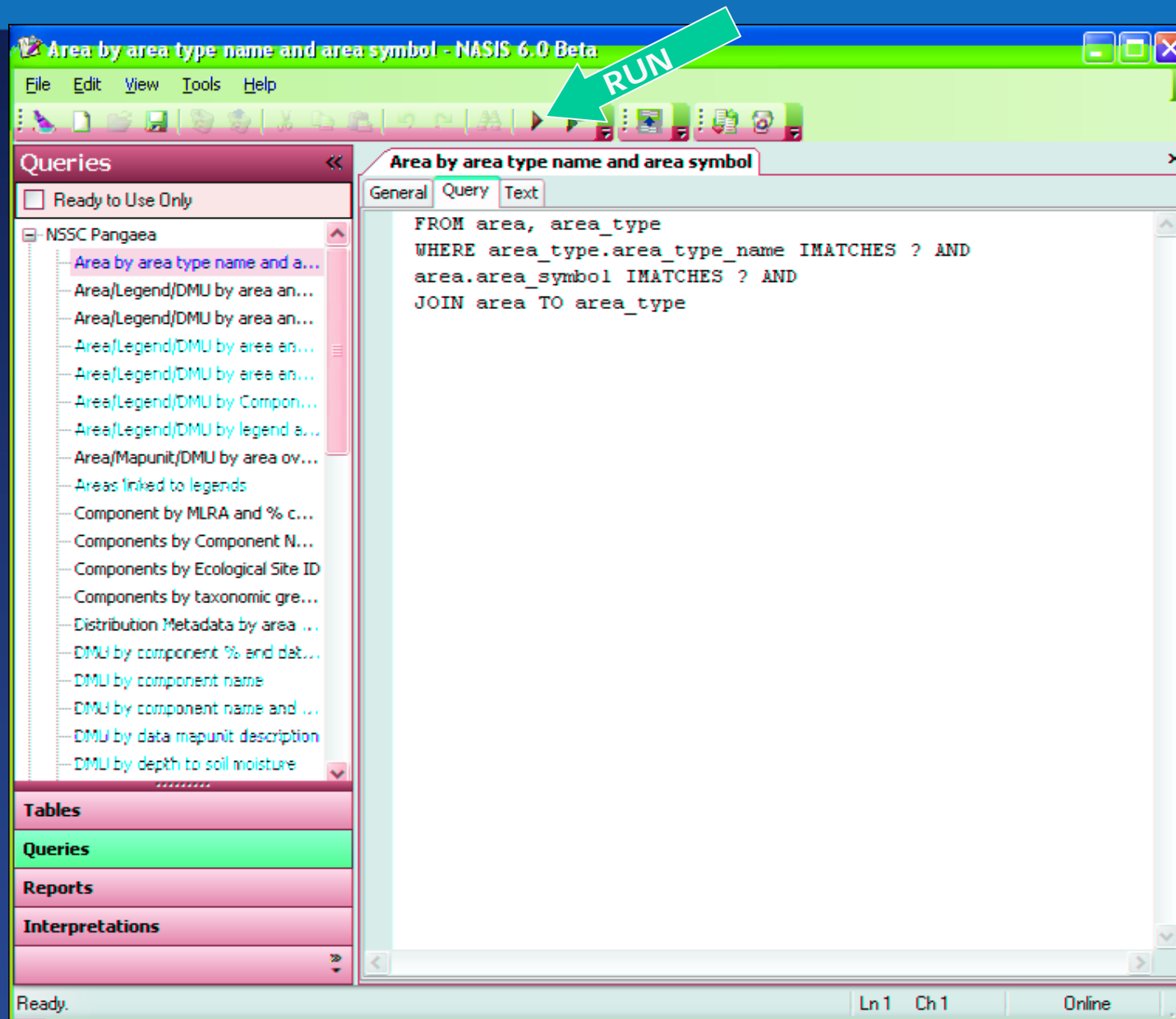
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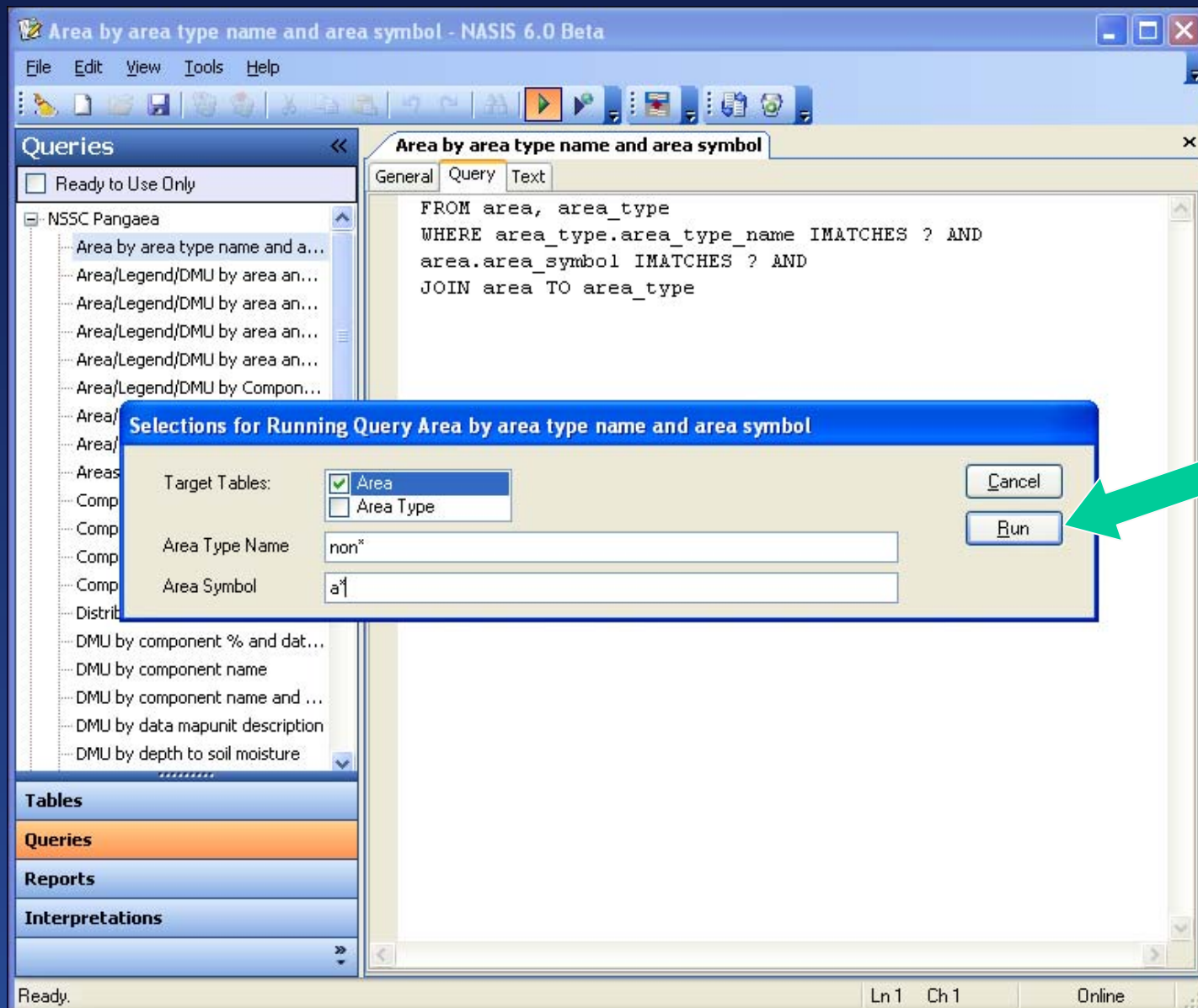
- Early testing has begun
- Beta testing – Sept/Oct 2008
- Final testing – Oct/Nov 2008
- Release 6.0 and convert data – Dec 2008

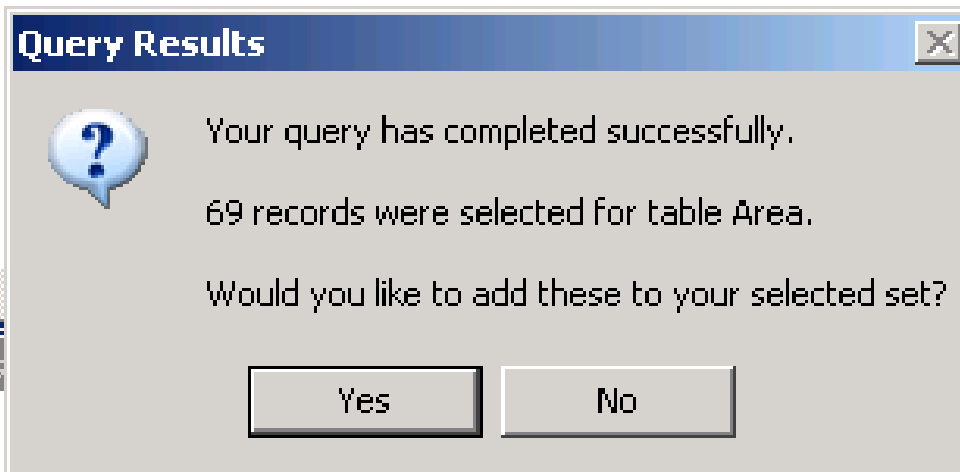












Prepari  
Running query for target table "Area"...  
complete.

Messages

Preparing query "Area by area type name and area symbol"...

Running query for target table "Area"...

complete.

Adding results to selected set...

complete.

Done!

Results for target table "Area":

69 records selected by query.

69 records added to selected set.

0 related records added to selected set.

#### Messages

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Preparing query "components by component name"...  
Running query for target table "Component"...  
    complete.  
Adding results to selected set...  
    complete.  
Done!  
Results for target table "Component":  
    22 records selected by query.  
    22 records added to selected set.  
    1236 related records added to selected set.  
|
```

Area - NASIS 6.0 Beta

File Edit View Tools Tables Help

Tables

Area Type

Area

Legend

Area by area type name and area symbol

Area

Area Symbol

Area Name

Click here to add a new row

Area Symbol	Area Name
AK600	Matanuska-Susitna Valley Area, Alaska
AK601	Kenai-Kasilof Area, Alaska
AK602	Homer-Ninichik Area, Alaska
AK603	Fairbanks Area, Alaska
AK604	Matanuska-Susitna Valley Area, Alaska
AK605	Anchorage Area, Alaska
AK606	Saichu-Big Delta Area, Alaska
AK607	Susitna Valley Area, Alaska
AK608	Northeastern Kodiak Island Area, Alaska
AK609	Goldstream-Nenana Area, Alaska
AK610	Greater Fairbanks Area, Alaska
AK612	Copper River Area, Alaska
AK613	Kenai National Moose Range Area, Alaska
AK614	Remote Areas, Alaska
AK615	Gensie River Area, Alaska
AK620	Juneau Area, Alaska
AK624	Upper Prince William Sound Area, Alaska
AK625	Totchaket Area, Alaska
AK626	Unalakleet Area, Alaska
AK627	Seward Peninsula Area, Alaska
AK628	Copper River Delta Area, Alaska

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Project

Site Association

Transect

Site

Transect

Geomorphic Feature Type

Plant

Local Plant

Ecological Site

Other Vegetative Classification Type

USFS Ecological Classification Type (t...

USFS Interpretation Category (assc)

USFS Interpretation Restriction (assc)

Distribution Metadata

NASIS User

NASIS Site

Tables

Queries

Reports

Interpretations

The screenshot displays the NARS 6.0 Beta software interface. The main window, titled "WORKING - Jim's Test", contains a script for generating a report. The script includes comments, variable definitions, and SQL queries. A green arrow labeled "RUN" points to the script area. On the right, a "Reports" panel lists various report templates, with "WORKING - Jim's Test" highlighted. The bottom status bar shows "Ln1 Ch1 Online".

```
#  
# Sample report  
#  
exec sql select compname, compct_r, localphase  
from component where compname matches "ac*";  
sort by compct_r desc.  
  
define dt TODAY.  
DEFINE comp_name= NHCASE(compname).  
define localph locase(localphase).  
DEFINE reporttitle INITIAL SCRIPT(REPORT_TITLE).  
DEFINE reporthdrtext INITIAL SCRIPT(REPORT_HEADER).  
  
TEMPLATE head1  
ELEMENT "tr" ATTRIB ("align", "center")  
FIELD TAG "td",  
FIELD TAG "td",  
field TAG "td".  
  
TEMPLATE basic  
ELEMENT "tr" ATTRIB ("class", "component")  
FIELD TAG "td" VALUETAG "para" ATTRIB ("role", "comp  
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FIELD TAG "td" VALUETAG "para" ATTRIB ("role", "comp  
  
HEADER  
ELEMENT OPEN '?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?'.  

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Reports

- ☐ Ready to Use Only
- UTIL - AASHTO and UNIFIED
- UTIL - Calculation & Validation
- UTIL - HSG Validation Export
- UTIL - Hydric Soil Validation
- UTIL - Legacy Interpretation
- UTIL - NASIS Groups and Users
- UTIL - NASIS Users
- UTIL - NASIS Users and Groups
- UTIL - NASIS Users sorted
- UTIL - NASIS Users sorted
- UTIL - NP Forage Suitability
- UTIL - Property Scripts
- UTIL - Property Values (PVA)
- UTIL - Rosetta Export File
- UTIL - Rule Descriptions
- UTIL - SRPG, LCC, YIELD V
- WORKING - Jim's Test**
- ZSR - MUG Arizona Biotic C
- ZSR - MUG Arizona Soil Pro

ITC\_Prototype

Tables

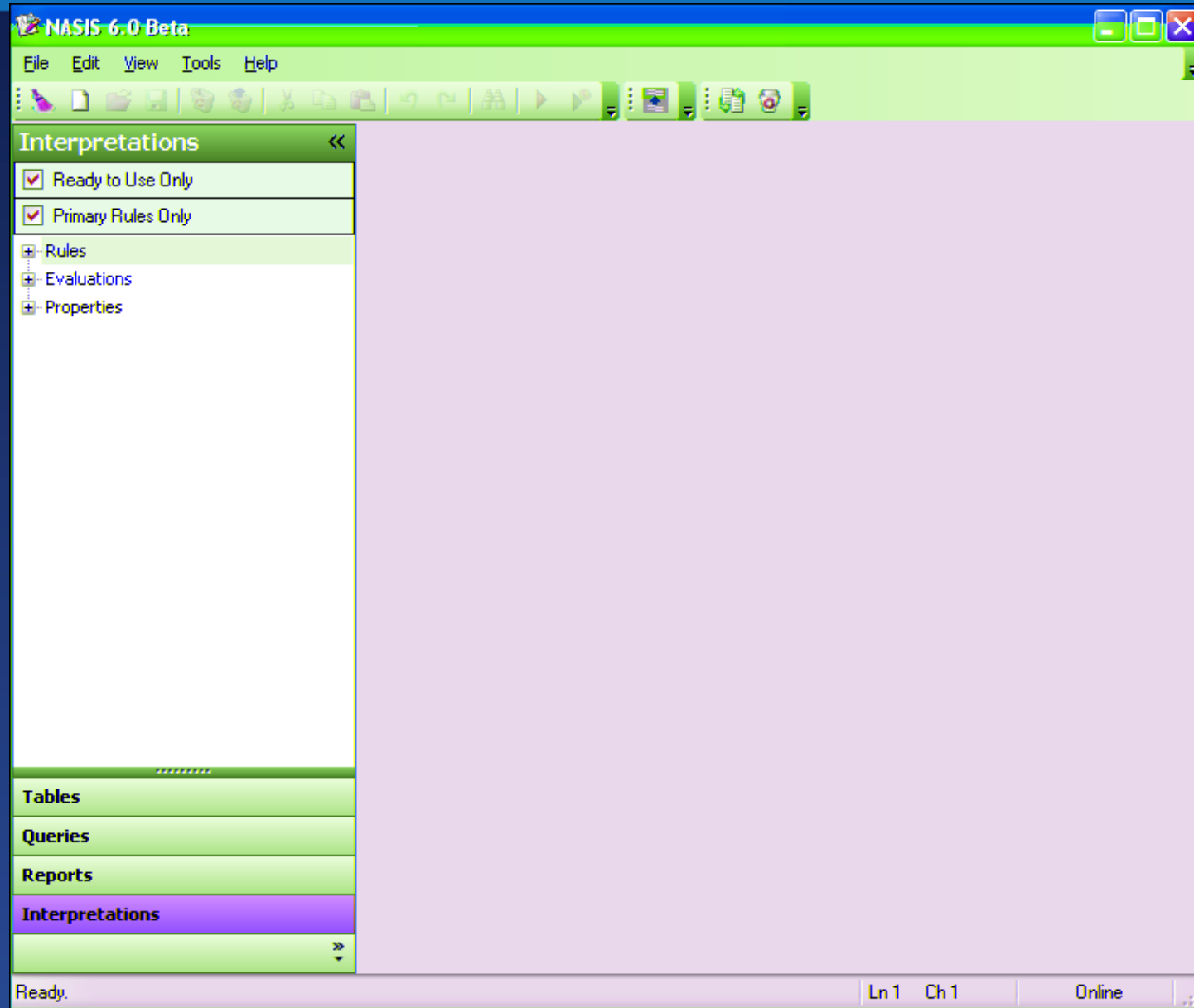
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**Reports**

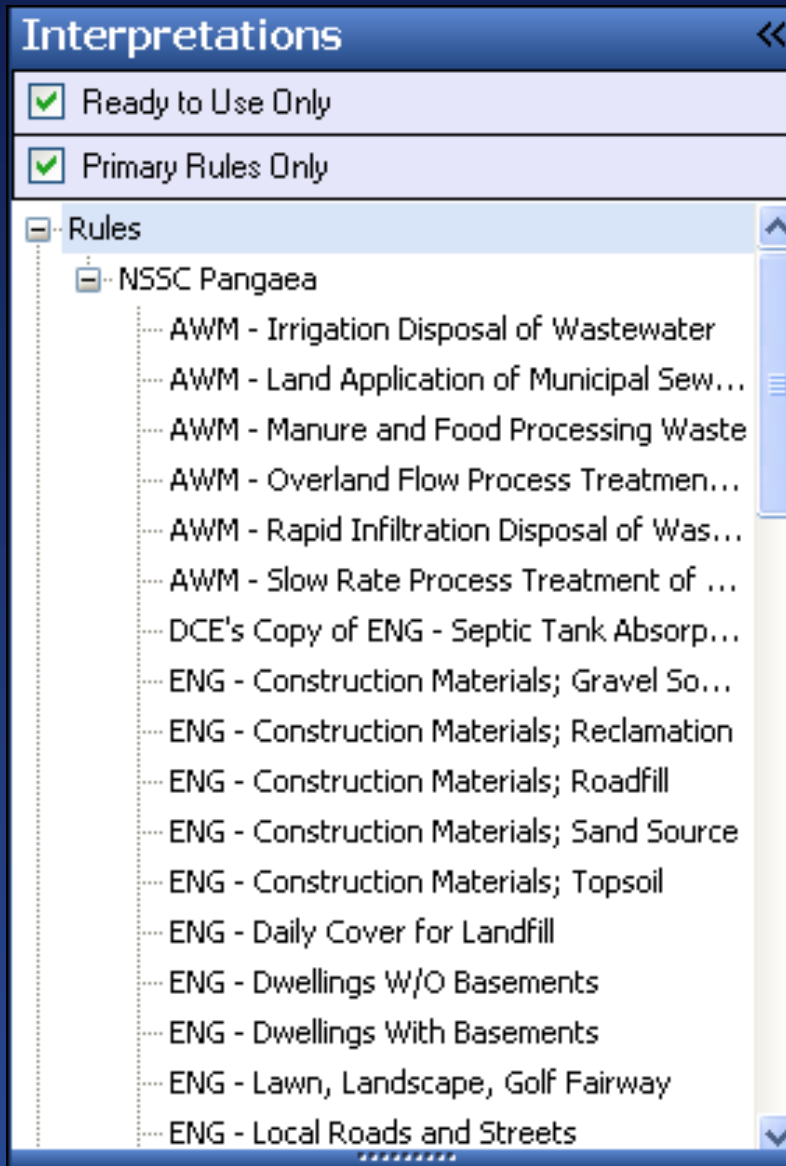
Interpretations

Ready.

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# Beyond 6.0

- Content management system
- Import USFS data from Terra
- Form-based data entry
- SSURGO-changing data model changes
- Spatial data integration
- Dynamic soil properties
- Integrated resource inventory system
- Integration of lab data

# Web Soil Survey 2.1

- Beta Test - SOON
- Scheduled for release – Aug 2008

# New Features

- Search function
  - Should help new users find desired information
  - Searches on keywords or phrases

# Search

The screenshot displays the NRCS Soils Web Application interface. The top navigation bar includes tabs for "Intro to Soils", "Suitabilities and Limitations for Use", "Soil Properties and Qualities", "Ecological Site Assessment", and "Soil Reports". The "Search" tab is active, showing a search bar with the keyword "ksat" entered. Below the search bar, a list of search results is displayed, including "Soil Properties and Qualities", "Matched the Rating name", "Matched the Rating Description", "Ecological Site Assessment", "Cannot search: No Rangeland or Forestland ecological site data for specified soil", "Soil Reports", and "Matched the Report Description".

The "Glossary" window is open, showing the definition of "Saturated hydraulic conductivity (Ksat)". The definition states: "The ease with which pores of a saturated soil transmit water. Formally, the proportionality coefficient that expresses the relationship of the rate of water movement to hydraulic gradient in Darcy's Law, a law that describes the rate of water movement through porous media. Commonly abbreviated as 'Ksat.' Terms describing saturated hydraulic conductivity are:"

The definition also includes a list of terms describing saturated hydraulic conductivity:

- Very high: 100 or more micrometers per second (14.17 or more inches per hour)
- High: 10 to 100 micrometers per second (1.417 to 14.17 inches per hour)
- Moderately high: 1 to 10 micrometers per second (0.1417 to 1.417 inches per hour)
- Moderately low: 0.1 to 1 micrometers per second (0.01417 to 0.1417 inches per hour)
- Low: 0.01 to 0.1 micrometers per second (0.001417 to 0.01417 inches per hour)
- Very low: Less than 0.01 micrometers per second (less than 0.001417 inches per hour).

The "Shopping Cart" window is also visible, showing a list of items: "Ksat" and "Saturated hydraulic conductivity (Ksat)".

The "Suitabilities and Limitations Ratings" window is open, showing a table with columns for "Rating" and "Description". The table lists various ratings and their corresponding descriptions:

Rating	Description
Building Site Development	?
Construction Materials	?
Disaster Recovery Planning	?
Land Classifications	?

# New Features

- Clip, zip, & ship
  - Clips and downloads SSURGO data for the AOI

## Clip, Zip, and Ship (AOI Data Download)

Download Soils Data for your AOI

Select Data to Download

Tabular Data ☒

Template Database ☒

Select Template Database

State	Microsoft Access Version	Template Database Version	Template Database Name
<input type="radio"/> NJ	Access 2002	32	soildb_NJ_2002
<input type="radio"/> NY	Access 2002	32.1	soildb_NY_2002
<input checked="" type="radio"/> OH	Access 2002	33	soildb_oh_2003
<input type="radio"/> OH	Access 2000	33	soildb_oh_2000
<input type="radio"/> OH	Access 97	33	soildb_oh_97
<input type="radio"/> OR	Access 2002	33.3	soildb_OR_2003
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<input type="radio"/> PA	Access 2002	33.1	soildb_PA_2003
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Spatial Data ☒

Select Spatial Coordinate System

UTM Zone 17, Northern Hemisphere (NAD 83)

Delivery Options

Your Web Soil Survey download request will be placed in the order queue and processed in turn. These requests are processed every day between 6:00 AM MDT and 11:00 PM MDT.

Receive an email message notifying you when your Web Soil Survey download request is complete. This message will include a link from which you can download your soil data.

Address

Email

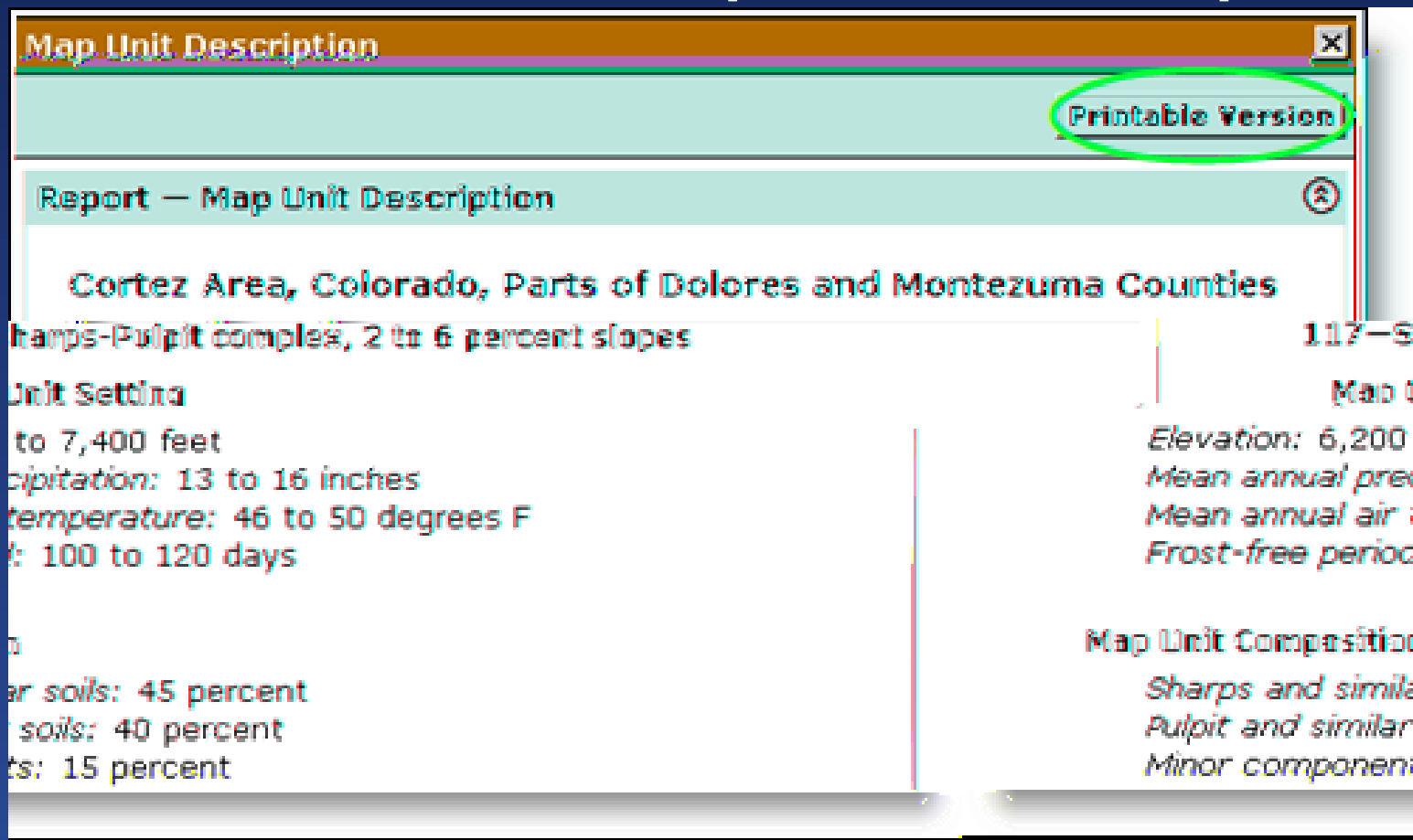
Cancel Download

- Spatial data downloaded in your choice of projection (UTM, State plane, geographic)
- Attribute data downloaded for import into a SSURGO template of your choice



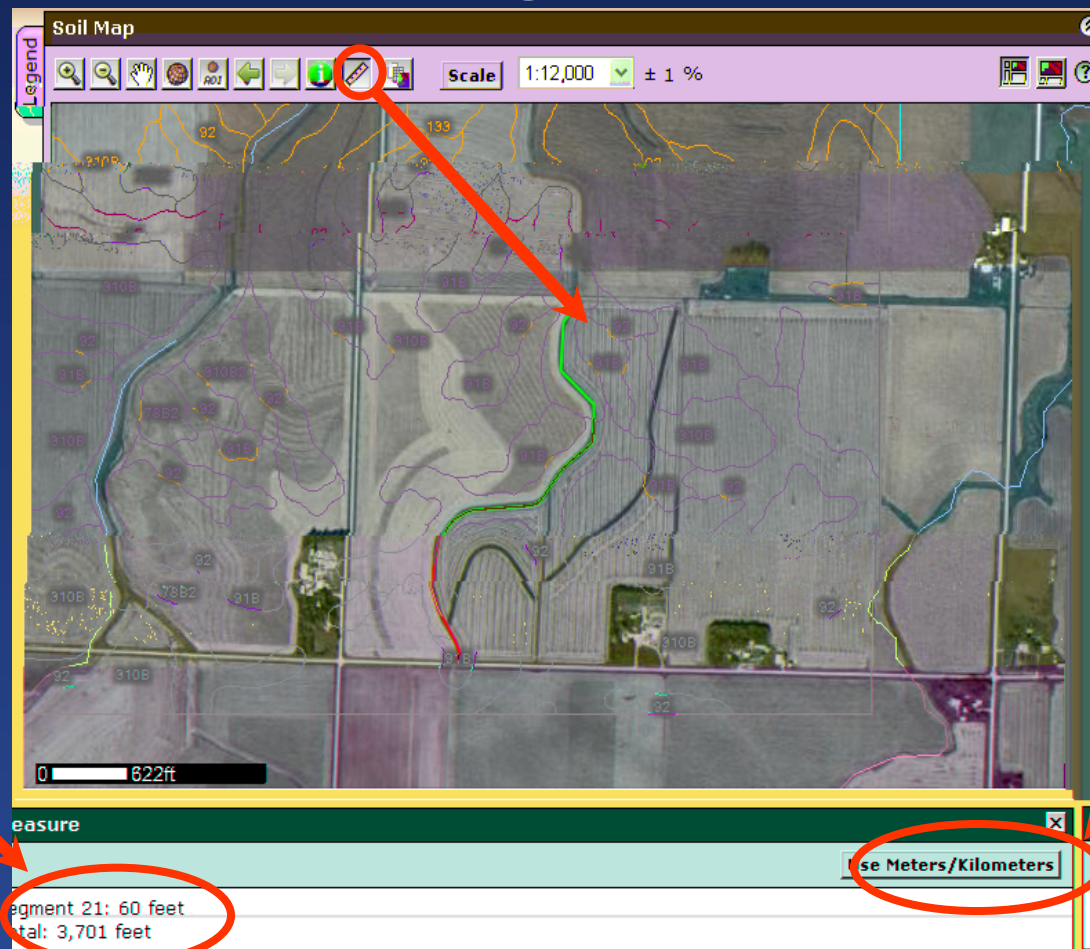
# New Features

- Print individual map unit descriptions



# New Features

- Linear measuring tool



Distance for  
Multiple  
Segments  
and Totals

Metric or  
English  
Dimensions

# New Features

- Improved map unit symbol placement
- Disclaimers added
  - On-site investigation
  - Estimated vs. measured data
  - Maximum scale of maps
- New navigation data layers

# New Features

- Tiling of printed maps
  - Based on user selected scale and paper size
  - 2x2, 3x3, or 4x4
  - Includes map index sheet

Printable Version Add to Shopping Cart

**Printable Version Options** ?

**Report Options**

Title Soil Map; Carroll County, Maryland, and Frederick County, Maryland

Subtitle (optional)

☐ Area of Interest Name: (none defined)

☐ Custom Subtitle:

☒ None

**Map Options**

Map Scale 1:12,000

Printed Sheet Size

Show UTM Coordinate Ticks

A (8.5" x 11") - 4 sheets

B (11" x 17") - 1 sheet

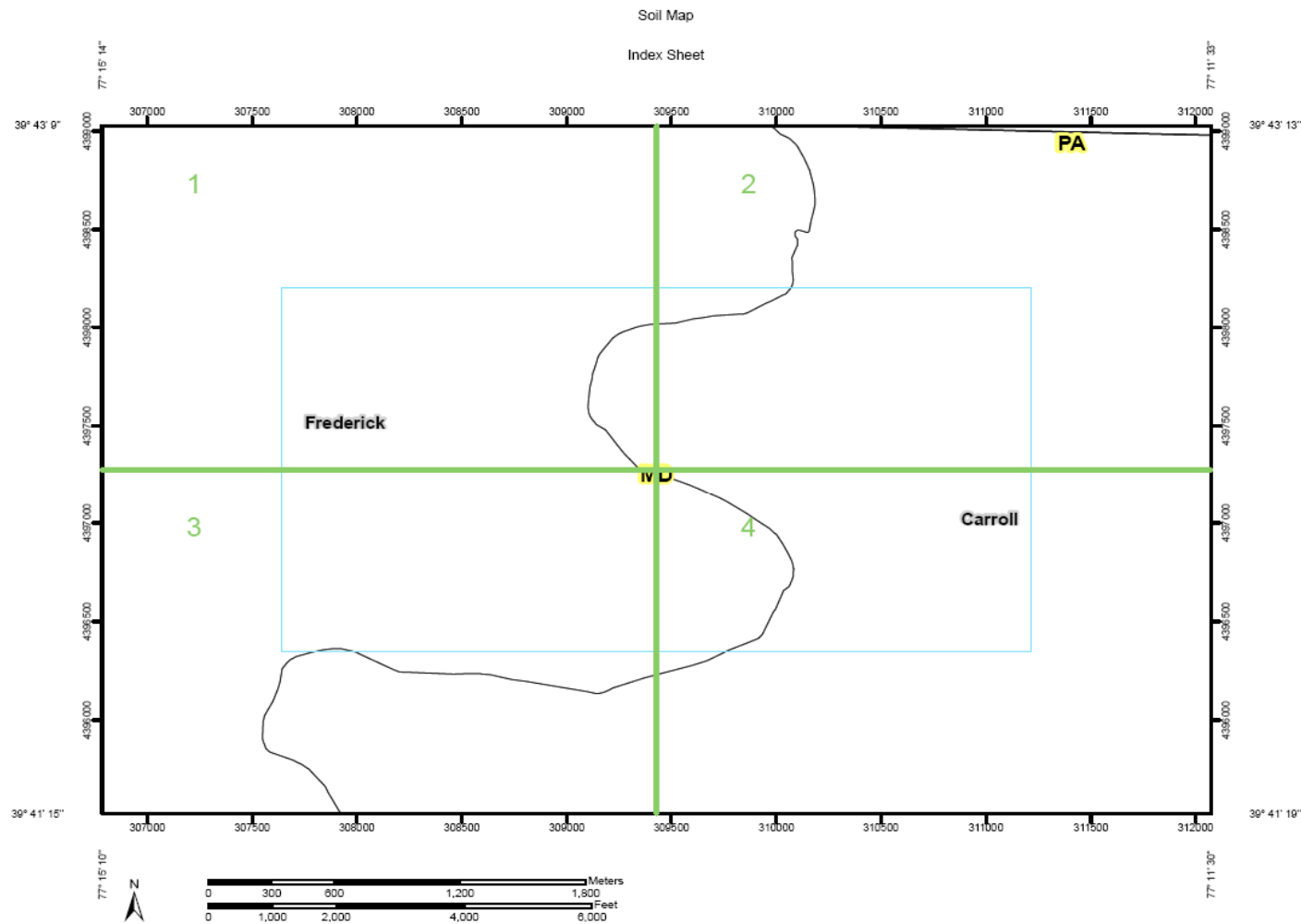
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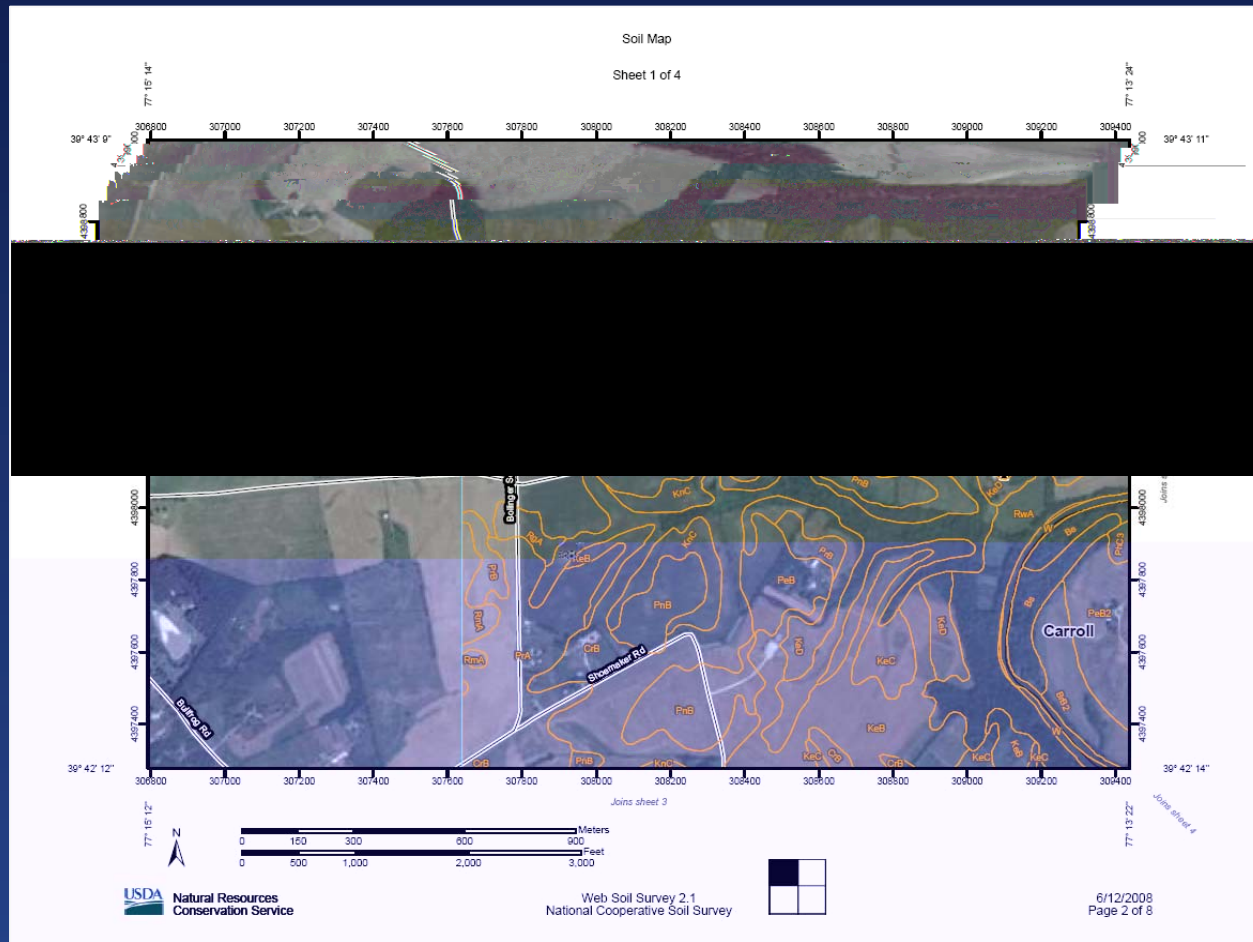
D (22" x 34") - 1 sheet

Cancel View

- Scale
- Individual sheet size

# Map Index Sheet





# Individual Tiled Map Sheets

- **Wednesday evening**
  - Posters in poster session
  - Demos of WSS 2.1 and NASIS 6.0



